

SENATE RESOLUTION 3
By Dixon

A RESOLUTION to commend and congratulate Michael Veasy on his graduation from the U.S. Foreign Service Institute and upon his assignment as vice consul at the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body honor those people who through their determination, abilities and endurance have achieved great personal success; and

WHEREAS, one such outstanding person is Michael Veasy, the son of John and Juanita Veasy of Nashville; and

WHEREAS, Michael graduated from Hume-Fogg High School in 1990 and earned his bachelor's degree in international studies at Morehouse College in 1993; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional young man has also performed post-graduate studies in international economics and social change and development, earning a master's degree from Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies in 1996, in addition to recently graduating from the U.S. Foreign Service Institute; and

WHEREAS, often described as a humane and caring individual, Michael interned at the Carter Presidential Center in Atlanta, where he worked on a project to promote development in inner cities; and

WHEREAS, Michael is part of the State Department's attempt to bring diversity to its elite crew of foreign service officers. He will soon be dispatched on his first assignment, vice consul at the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City; and

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WHEREAS, Michael, now fluent in Spanish, attributes his interest in Latin America to when he was a middle school student learning Spanish at Caldwell School on Meridian Street; and

WHEREAS, Michael exemplifies the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of a foreign diplomat and a true Tennessean; after the completion of his career, he wants to return to Nashville and establish a center for development studies; and

WHEREAS, Michael is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife Tameka; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to commend and congratulate Michael Veasy upon his extraordinary efforts to better both himself and his community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and commend Michael Veasy for his accomplishments and wish him every continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.